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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant : David Eatough et al.  
Title : METHOD AND APPARATUS TO PERFORM  
AUTOMATED TASK HANDLING  
Filed : June 26, 2001  
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Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 8, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.